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BASHKIR, TBILISI, AND MINSK INDUSTRIES PROGRESS

BASHKIR ASSR PROGRESS OUTLINED -- Krasnaya Zvezda, No 68, 23 Mar 49

G. Nigmatzhanov, chairman of Presidium of Supreme Soviet Bashkir ASSR, states that during the years of the Five-Year Plans and the war, Bashkir industry expanded to 28 times its prerevolutionary size. Eighty-two heavy, and hundreds of medium and light industrial enterprises have been set up.

The area of cultivated ground increased 79 percent, and yield from agriculture doubled. Seven million hectares are cultivated each year by kolkhozes, which are served by 140 MTBs.

There are at present 300 motion picture houses, 114 radio broadcasting and receiving units, and 269 libraries. Twenty scientific research institutions are in operation. There are about 10,000 specialists with higher education and about 31,000 with secondary education. Each year about 2,500,000 books are printed in the Bashkir and Russian languages by the Bashkir State Publishing House.

FEBRUARY PRODUCTION GOOD IN TBILISI -- Zarya Vostoka, No 47, 11 Mar 49

During February, gross production by industry of Tbilisi, Georgian SSR, was 106.2 percent of the plan. Trade cooperative artels completed their plan 106.5 percent and invalids' cooperative artels 104 percent. Enterprises of ministries of Georgian SSR fulfilled their February plans in percent as follows: Meat and Dairy Industry, 197.8; Food Industry, 112.3; Automobile Transport, 104; Local Industry, 103.8; Light Industry, 103.

Machine-building plants imeni Kirov and "Stanok", the automobile repair foundry, the knitted-fabric spinning combine, and the worsted and tea-compounding factories successfully completed the January-February plan.

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The following were behind schedule: the dry-goods, saddle, and film-copying factories, the pharmaceutical plant, and a series of other enterprises.

MINSK INDUSTRY TO SPEED CAPITAL TURNOVER -- Sovetskaya Belorussiya, No 50, 11 Mar 49

In 1948 Minsk and Minsk Oblast industry produced 163 million rubles' worth of goods more than in 1947 and accumulated 58.5 million rubles above the plan. Leading industrial enterprises in Minsk have pledged to speed up the turnover of working capital and release 14.2 million rubles in 1949. Borisov workers have promised to release 4.6 million rubles, and Minsk area workers of the Western Railroad System have pledged 1,341,000 rubles. Six enterprises of Voroshilovskiy Rayon -- the Radio Plant imeni Molotov, the knitted fabrics and dry-goods combine, the Plant imeni Chkalov, and the oxygen, tile, and machinery repair plants -- have pledged to release 2,095,575 rubles.

In the Minsk Tool Plant imeni Chkalov, the production of threading dies has been switched from lathes to revolving automatic and semiautomatic machines which combine the first five operations.

NEW VILLAGE BUILT IN CHUKOTKA -- Molodiy Dal'nevostochnik, No 24, 12 Feb 49

Anadyr' -- One year ago, nomad kolkhoz workers of the "Turvaugin" Artel, Markovskiy Rayon, Chukot National Okrug, decided to build a permanent settlement at the foot of the Stogonov volcano on the upper part of the Anadyr' River. A construction brigade, headed by the chairman of the kolkhoz, built an entire village. It is situated along the shore of the river and contains a school building, a medical center, a store, two warehouses, and four 2-apartment houses. The kolkhoz workers have decided to construct a rural club building, a kolkhoz office, and five 2-apartment houses in 1949.

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